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### SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please consider the following amendments and remarks in connection with the prosecution of the captioned application, which is a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 of international application number PCT/NO2003/000396, filed November 27, 2003, which claims priority to application number 20025738 filed November 29, 2002, in Norway the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.